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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Weinand

CASE: OST-041371

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FOR: SYSTEM FOR TREATING, IN  
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This is in response to the Notification of Missing Requirements, mailed May 17, 2005, a copy of which is attached.

The Notice indicated that the executed Declaration was missing. In response, Applicant herewith submits the executed Declaration along with a check in the amount of \$40.00 for the Assignment recordation fee. Accordingly, all outstanding missing parts identified in the Notice are submitted herewith.

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We are also enclosing a certified translation of the International Patent  
Application No. EP03/01008.

In addition, Applicant submits herewith a fully executed assignment, Recordation  
Form Cover Sheet and the Assignment fee of \$40.00.

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226-1818 is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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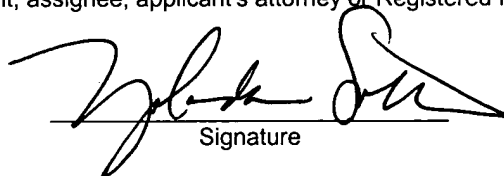
  
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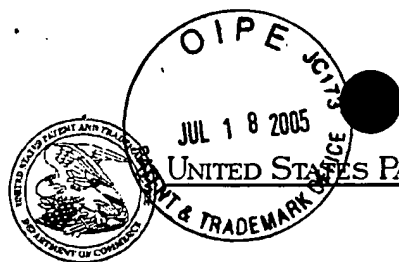
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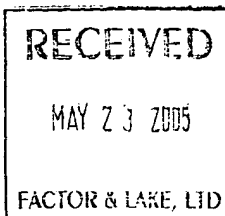
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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 09/07/2004
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 09/07/2004
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 09/07/2004
- Priority Documents filed on 09/07/2004

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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the international application number and international filing date.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

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STATEMENT OF BASIS  
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<u><b>PUBLICATION NO.</b></u>	<u><b>PUBLICATION DATE</b></u>	<u><b>BASIS FOR RELEVANCE</b></u>
DE 20105676 U1	August 2, 2001	A paint coating bath for vehicle bodies has guide rails along each side above the bath. Vehicle bodies are mounted on support frame and held in a tilt mounting at the ends of pairs of supports arm (50) mounted on self propelled trolleys running along the rails. The support arms, and the tilt mountings, are independently servo driven by drives that do not dip into the bath. The paint coating bath is one of a number of treatment bath along the paint line. The dual tilt action for the handling system enables steep sided compact baths to be used.

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DE 19641048

July 20, 2000

The workpieces are detachably fastened to holding frames (7), each of which has rotational pivot points (13) orientated perpendicularly to the direction of movement of the workpiece. The pivot points are moved translatory and continuously at constant speed. Simultaneously, the workpieces at the beginning or end of the handling area are steered around one of these pivot points and each rotated by 180 degrees in the direction of translatory movement.

WO 02/053482A1

July 11, 2002

Objects, in particular vehicle bodies (4) are guided in a continuous or intermittent translation movement through a plurality of immersion devices with the help of a conveyer device (5). Two guides (40, 41, 42, 43) placed at a distance from one another are connected at one end to the conveyer device (5) and at the other end to a carrier structure (44) that carries the objects, in such a way that they can pivot. A device (45 to 52) ensures that one of the two guides (40, 41, 42, 43) can be pivoted about its coupling axis on the conveyor device (5). The aforementioned immersion device allows different kinematics of the immersion and removal movement to be achieved, such as for example the lowering of an object in parallel alignment to its original orientation and the pivoting of an object about a horizontal axis.

**PUBLICATION NO.****PUBLICATION DATE****BASIS FOR RELEVANCE**

DE 20022634

January 24, 2002

The surface treatment plant for motor vehicle body parts has several traveling carriages (13) movable on guides (16, 17), and each equipped with a holder for a body part and has a rotational axis which is located in such a way that by rotation around this axis the body part can be brought into and out of especially an immersion bath. Each carriage has its own drive, and the carriages are movable independent of other carriages so that a combination of continuous and non-continuous feed of the carriages can be preselected.

EP 1221420

November 16, 2001


System for treating, especially lacquering, objects having a geometry with a predominant direction, especially vehicle bodies (4), comprises at least one bath (2, 3) containing a treatment liquid, especially a lacquer, into which the objects are dipped, a conveying device continuously or intermittently transporting objects through the system in the transport direction (6), and a number of dipping devices (19-23) connected to the conveying device. Each dipping device supports an object and is capable of dipping this object in a bath by rotating about an axis of rotation extending at an angle to the transport direction. The dipping devices are designed so that the transport direction runs at an angle to be predominant direction of the object.

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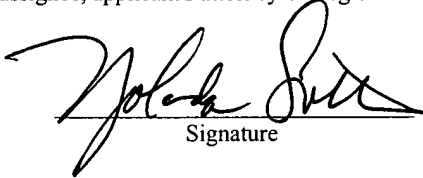
  
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